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The reply filed on August 12, 2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): a marked up copy of the changes to the abstract has not been provided. See 37 CFR 1.121. Although the response indicates that a marked up copy of the changes to the abstract has been provided on the last page of the response, no marked up copy of the abstract can be found. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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